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For: CANNING STRUCTURE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

## Enclosed are:

[X] Three (3) sheets of formal drawings, Figures 1(A)-4.

[X] An Assignment of the invention to NGK INSULATORS, LTD.

- [X] Certified copy of <u>Japanese</u> application No. 11-207265 filed July 22, 2000.
- [X] A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
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